Resolution No.: 16-1355

Introduced:

April 27, 2010

Adopted:

May 19, 2010

## COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

**SUBJECT:** <u>Telephone Tax - Rates</u>

## **Background**

- 1. Section 52-15 of the County Code levies a tax on every person who owns a telephone line for the reception, transmission, or communication of messages by telephone, or who leases, licenses, or sells telephonic communication in the County.
- 2. Section 52-15 provides that the Council must set by resolution the monthly tax rate for each type of telephone line listed in Section 52-15(a)(1), after holding a public hearing advertised as required by Section 52-17(c). The Council held a public hearing on this resolution on May 18, 2010.
- 3. Resolution 15-173, approved by the Council on May 14, 2003, sets the current telephone tax rates.

## **Action**

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland amends Resolution 15-173 as follows:

Effective July 1, 2010, the rates of the telephone tax levied under Section 52-15 of the Code are:

- (1) \$2.00 a month on each residence, business, or PBX local exchange access line or trunk line (except lines furnished to telephone lifeline services customers);
- (2) \$3.50 a month on each wireless telephone line; and
- (3) \$0.20 a month on each Centrex local exchange access line or trunk line.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council